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Minnesota Intellectual Freedom Committee uses "exemptions" to meet state censorship bill, July: 60–61.

Minnesota Library Association wishes any censorship bill to exempt educational institutions and employees from prosecution, May: 45.

Missouri: Mrs. Bodger, Consultant to Children's Services of State Library, resigns protesting *Free Press* censorship, July: 60.

Missouri Library Association and Missouri State Library produce film: *The Hottest Spot in Town*, March: 29.

Missouri Library Association publishes "The Censor Always Rings Twice," Sept: 77.

Missouri Library Association Guidelines, copies are available in Columbia, Jan: 9.

Missouri Library Association, Missouri State Library, the University of Missouri Freedom of Information Center and others hold conference in Columbia on "The Censor Always Rings Twice," March: 29.

Missouri Library Association *Quarterly*—special issue on censorship, Jan: 18.

Missouri mothers picket St. Charles County Library branch —Mrs. Bodger resigns, May: 39.

Missouri school libraries find *Up the Down Staircase, Beat of the City*, and *Growing Up* attacked, July: 69.

Missouri State Library Commission censures State Librarian and dismisses Mrs. Bodger, May: 39.

Mississippi U.S. District Judge decides *The Fox* is not obscene movie, March: 30.

Mobile, Alabama, new variable obscenity law, Jan: 7.

"Montanans for Constitutional Action" fails to kill Montana University System six-mill levy through "obscenity issue," also would have legislature supervise content of courses taught, March: 28.

Mooney, Harry J., Jr., Chairman of Colorado Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee, ponders the committee's role in a censorship tide, July: 66.

Mooney, Harry J., reports on Intellectual Freedom in Colorado, July: 62.

Morehouse, Harold G., president of Nevada Library Association opposes obscenity bill, May: 44.

Mother Goose reprint elicits apology from Xerox Corp., May: 51.

Motive publication "postponed" in May, July: 65.

Movie Classification agreed to by National Assoc. of Theater Owners, Jan: 3.

Myra Breckenridge shelved in the back room in Ohio, May: 40.

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Naked Came the Stranger not to be purchased in North Central Regional Library, Wenatchee, Washington, Nov: 99.

NAACP filed protest in Oak Park, Texas, over *Nicodemus and the Hounddog*, Jan: 4.

NCTE Commission on Literature makes statement on book selection, March: 24.

NEA pamphlet, "The Negro American in Paperback" attacked by book, *Blackboard Power: NEA Threat to America* by Gordon Drake, March: 29.

National Freedom Fund for Librarians seeks contributions, Nov: 91.

National Assoc. of Theater Owners agree to Movie Classification, Jan: 3.

Nevada Library Association opposes obscenity bill, May: 44.

New Hampshire: Merrimack County *Inga* almost causes hearing in Superior Court, Sept: 86.

New Jersey, at West Milford *Viewpoints, U.S.A.* to be left in curriculum, Jan: 13.

New Jersey: Job Corps attracts readers through *Male Nymphomaniac, Fanny Hill, Candy*, Nov: 97.

New Jersey: NJCRR dissolves, Jan: 11.

New Jersey: Newark Superior Court Judge bans Beatles album, July: 64.

New York: Ardsley Board of Education to censor student publications, July: 59.

New York: dentist wins in censorship of his manuscript, July: 71.

New York: Farmingdale furor roused over *Call Me Brick*, July: 58.

New York: Farmingdale public librarian receives "execution orders," Nov: 96.

New York: Palisades Free Library adopts policy statement on books, free speech, free press, Sept: 86.

New York Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee chairman considers Farmingdale incident overemphasized, Nov: 103.

New York State Committee for Responsible Patriotism demands *Portnoy's Complaint* be taken out of libraries, Sept: 87.

New York State University Depository of Obscene Literature vetoed by governor, Sept: 86.

Newsweek deleted from school order in Louisiana, Jan: 18.

Newsweek kept off the shelves in Rhode Island supermarkets, July: 64–65.

Newsweek restored to list of periodicals by St. Tammany Parish School Board (La.), Jan: 3.

The Next Generation quoted Sept: 76.

Nicodemus and the Hounddog protested in Texas, Jan: 4.

Nigger banned from school list in Dallas, Oregon, July: 57.

Nixon urges new restrictive legislation concerning use of mails, July: 63.

North Carolina's Speaker Ban Law unconstitutional; five regulations adopted, Jan: 15.

North Dakota University student literary magazine staff resign in poem censorship, order rescinded, Sept: 83.

Notre Dame students and faculty protest police seizure of film, March: 33.

Nude photos ruled not obscene in California, May: 50.

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Oboler, Eli, and Edwin Jackson lead discussion on "The Feasibility and Legality of Promoting and Defending the Library Bill of Rights" at ALA, May:38.

Oboler, Eli M., sees librarian's role as "guardian of the people's freedom to read," July:70.

Obscenity and Public Morality; Censorship in a Liberal Society, by Clor, reviewed, July: 71.

Of Mice and Men dropped in Orfordville, Wisconsin School District, July:59.

Ohio: Lorain County's seven public libraries have a closed-shelf policy, May:40.

Open City, publisher fined, Jan:14.

Oram, Robert, reports on card destruction at Urbana, Illinois, Nov:102.

Orange County, Ca., Board of Education bans *Hiroshima* for fear it will aid ban-the-bomb movement, March:22.

Oregon: Dallas Junior High School bans *Nigger* and *Patch of Blue,* July:57.

Oregon: Drain, *Holiday* banned but *Newsweek* allowed to continue on school shelves, March:32.

Quicksilver Times case a concern of District of Columbia Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee, Nov:91.

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Palisades Free Library, New York, adopts policy statement on books, free speech, free press, Sept:86.

Parker, Ralph H., defends dismissal of Mrs. Bodger in Missouri, May:39.

Passion in Purple, Yellow and Red by Armand Gatti, an anti-Franco play, banned from Theatre National Populaire in France, allowed in non-state theatres, March: 26.

Patch of Blue banned from school list in Dallas, Oregon, July:57.

Peace Action Council denied use of Rancho Cienega Stadium in Los Angeles, March:27.

Pennsylvania Supreme Court refuses to uphold ban of film *Therese and Isabelle,* Jan:6.

Personal Adjustment, Marriage and Family Living censored by school officials in Washington, D.C., May:50.

Peter Pan production declared obscene in Milwaukee, Jan:16.

Peyton Place considered unfit according to *Burning Ice* list, July:67.

Philadelphia: judge rules *I Am Curious (Yellow)* not a nuisance, July:57.

Philadelphia Free Library asked about *The Camp,* Jan:10.

Philadelphia Free Library renews subscription to *Evergreen Review,* Jan:5.

Phoenix City Council adopts antipornography ordinance concerning shows, books, pamphlets, or magazines available for "monetary consideration" to juveniles, May:49.

Pierron, Ione F., reviews *Burning Ice: The Moral and Emotional Effects of Reading,* July:66–68.

Pittsburgh University librarians testify in court that film *Therese and Isabelle* not obscene, March:30.

Playboy and school assignments—a dialogue, May:42.

Playboy banned in Umatilla, Oregon, Jan:16.

Playboy loses four pages in San Juan, Sept:81.

Playboy public affairs and religious editor Anson Mount speaks to Missouri conference concerning "The Censor Always Rings Twice," March:29.

Pollock, Larry, defends books in Alaska, May:46.

Pompano Beach, Florida, mayor opposes *Soul on Ice* on open shelves, Jan:18.

Pope Paul's appeal for "self-censorship" examined, July: 62.

Pornography peril doubted in Chicago study, Nov:96.

Port Washington, Wisconsin, advertiser boycotts printer of *Kaleidoscope,* Nov:98.

Portnoy's Complaint: mother protests use of taxpayer's money in Montgomery County, July:55.

Portnoy's Complaint bought in quantity by Montgomery County library, Maryland; not stocked by Jewish and Catholic Book Stores, considered adult fare in library in Wheaton, Maryland, July:55.

Portnoy's Complaint challenged on library shelves in Memphis, Sept:78.

Portnoy's Complaint ires taxpayer in Bethesda-Chevy Chase, July:56.

Portnoy's Complaint popular in Newark, July:54.

Portnoy's Complaint stirs discussion of value terms, Sept: 78–79.

Portnoy's Complaint stirs need for policy statement after 6 copies purchased by Henrico County library, Virginia, July:56.

Portnoy's Complaint temporarily available in Ukiah, California, Nov:96.

Portnoy's Complaint use restricted in Memphis Public Library, Nov:98.

Poway Unified School District in California removes controversial books from library shelves, Jan:17.

Princeton, New Jersey: Gallup Poll reports American ideas about laws on pornography, Sept:83.

Problems of Communism, journal of United States Information Service, sent to selected recipients, Sept:84.

Publishers' Weekly reviews threat to freedom of teaching, learning, reading, Nov:97.

Purdue University editor fired, then reinstated, Jan:15.

Purity in Print: The Vice-Society Movement and Book Censorship in America: see Boyer, Paul S.

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Ramparts criticized in St. Charles County, Jan:8.

Rawlins, Wyoming, mayor refuses to lift news blackout, Nov:101.

The Readers' Right in New Jersey—good job done, Jan: 11.

Rembar, Charles: *The End of Obscenity; The Trials of Lady Chatterley, Tropic of Cancer, and Fanny Hill* elucidates on value theory and obscenity trials, Jan: 18 and 19.

Rembar, Charles: *The End of Obscenity,* May:38.

Rhode Island: play closes after dress rehearsal in Pawtucket library, Sept:87.

Rhode Island supermarkets keep *Life* and *Newsweek* off the shelves, July:64–65.

Rhodesia Books Committee develops list of banned books—libraries may have but not pass on to borrower; student use to be decided by librarian, May:48.

Richmond, California, city attorney to be final judge in choosing "obscene" books, Nov:95.

Richmond, Ca., bans *Berkeley Barb* and *Avant Garde,* Jan:6.

Richmond, Ca., librarian resigns, blames right-wing extremists, March:22.

Richmond, Ca., Library Commission president claims banning of *Barb* and *Avant Garde* politically motivated, Jan:6.

Richmond, Ca., librarian John Forsman resigns under fire, May:43.

Richmond, Ca., sex education film curbed, May:49.

Richmond, Va., U.S. District Court Judge enjoins police from seizing motion picture films prior to hearing, March:31.

Rider, District Court Judge Daniel A., rules *The Slave* obscene, Jan:18.

The Rimers of Eldritch, see Wilson, Lanford.

Romeo and Juliet film objected to in Orfordville, Wisconsin, July:59.

Roots, Logan, St. Louis bookseller, fined for possessing *The Complete Marquis de Sade* for sale, Jan:17.

Rosemary's Baby has "kinky sex" cut from film in Britain, March:32.

Ross, Virginia L., answers critics of books on sex in San Mateo, March:24.

Ross, Virginia L., gives report on California legislative action to CLA Midwinter Council, March:34–36.

Ross, Virginia L., County Librarian of San Mateo County, Ca, explains bookmarks from The Checkered Frog bookstore at local library, March:27.

Ross, Virginia, librarian of San Mateo County, Ca, reviews *Blackboard Power: NEA Threat to America,* by Gordon Drake, March:29.

Roth, Philip: see *Portnoy's Complaint.*

Ruef, Joseph, Chairman of New Jersey Intellectual Freedom Committee, cites 4 points relating values to freedom in libraries, May:37–38.

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Sacramento Municipal Court in Ca. hears *Love Together* and *Love Tutor* read aloud in day and a half marathon, March:28.

St. Charles County, Missouri, might label Dr. Spock's books, Jan:8.

St. Louis University School of Medicine doctor attempts definitive study of obscenity, Sept:81.

St. Paul: housewife considers *Baby Hip* obscene, July:63.

St. Petersburg Junior College, the play *The Rimers of Eldritch* cancelled, Jan:13.

St. Tammany Parish School Board in Covington, La., deleted *Look, Life, Newsweek,* and *Saturday Evening Post* from school order, Jan:18.

Salinger, J. D.: see *Catcher in the Rye.*

San Diego: Poway Unified School District removes controversial books from library shelves, Jan:17.

San Francisco Mayor warns Rafferty "hands off" concerning *Soul on Ice* and *Dutchman,* Nov:95.

San Juan: 6,000 copies of *Playboy* lose 4 pages each, Sept:81.

St. Louis Circuit Court Judge Rex Henson rules *The Fox* obscene, Jan:5.

San Mateo: librarian gives reasons for choosing books on sex, March:24.

San Mateo County, Ca., makes available bookmarks from The Checkered Frog bookstore at Sanchez Library, March:27.

San Pablo, Ca., "contemporary standards" a factor in topless decision by State Supreme Court, Jan:14.

Santa Ana, Ca., authorizes *Scholastic Scope* in classrooms, March:31.

Saturday Evening Post deleted from school order in Louisiana, Jan:18.

Scholastic Scope authorized in classrooms in Santa Ana, Ca., March:31.

Scope defended for Junior High in Anchorage, May:46.

Selby, Hubert's *Last Exit to Brooklyn* can be published in London, Jan:17.

Seoul: United States Information Service displays censored American magazines, Sept:84.

Sex and the Adult Woman not on open shelf in Cleveland, July:63.

Sex Education Film curbed in California, May:49.

Sex in the Adolescent Years chosen in San Mateo County, March:24.

Sex in Development not on the open shelves in Cleveland, July:63.

Sex in Marriage not on the open shelf in Cleveland, July: 63.

Shoot It arouses ire in Ft. Lauderdale, Jan:5.

Shores, Louis, considers the question of dissent, July:68-69.

Shultz, Mrs. Marie, sees strong book selection procedures in Texas prove helpful, March:25.

Sigmund Freud removed in Orange County, Ca., May:42.

Simmons, Mrs. Elizabeth Lee, reports on Minnesota Intellectual Freedom bill, July:60–61.

Sioux City, Iowa: Council rejects "obscenity ordinance," July:59.

Sjoman, Vilgot, director of *I Am Curious (Yellow),* Jan:12.

Slanker, Mrs. Barbara, reports on card destruction at Urbana, Illinois, Nov:102.

The Slave: see Jones, LeRoi.

Smoot, William R., II, campus newspaper editor at Purdue, fired, then reinstated, Jan:15.

Sorenson, Theodore, sees liberty and literature interrelated, Sept:82.

Soul on Ice part of censorship battle in San Francisco, Nov:95.

The South End, Wayne State student newspaper, suspended, Sept:84.

Soviet Life defended for Junior High in Anchorage, May: 46.

Spain's Generalissimo Franco reimposes full, prior censorship of press, March:30.

Spock, Dr. Benjamin M., might have books labeled in St. Louis, Jan:8.

Stanton, Virginia, new variable obscenity law, Jan:7.

Staten Island principal and nuns fired for teaching "evolution vs. creation," May:41.

Station KPFA records meeting on *Berkeley Barb,* Jan:7.

Steinbeck, John: see *Of Mice and Men.*

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The Student as Nigger, a Cal State Los Angeles student publication, causes teacher dismissal when essay read aloud, Jan:18.

Tacoma, Washington, not allowed by State Supreme Court to ban anti-war signs on buses, Nov:99.

Tamplin, Mrs. Mary, librarian in Seth, Virginia, meets four ladies who have *Blackboard Power* in hand, March:29.

Target Smut, produced by Citizens for Decent Literature, too smutty, May:45.

Tennessee: *Portnoy's Complaint* restricted in Memphis, Nov:98.

Texas Library Association's Intellectual Freedom Committee sees lessening of pressures towards censorship in past two years, March:25.

Therese and Isabelle not thought obscene by librarians Dailey and Dimick at University of Pittsburgh testifying in Common Pleas Court, ban lifted, hearing pending; banned in Minneapolis, March:30.

Therese and Isabelle, film not to be banned in Pennsylvania, Jan:6.

Time of Your Life, sex education film in Richmond, Ca., curbed, May:49.

Titicut Follies restricted to professional groups by Massachusetts Supreme Court, Sept:80.

The Toilet by LeRoi Jones, read in Washington, D.C., without four-letter words, May:51.

The Trailblazer, college newspaper in Maryland, in trouble over George Wallace headline, Jan:16.

Tropic of Capricorn considered unfit, according to *Burning Ice* list, July:67.

Tropic of Cancer shelved in the back room in Ohio, May:41.

Turner, James C., protests fine as newsmagazine publisher, March:25.

Tyro staff at University of North Dakota resigns in censorship protest, order rescinded, Sept:83.

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Umatilla, Oregon, bans *Playboy,* Jan:16.

Union Business Manager of Local 1675 in Richmond, Ca., sees ban on books and Forsman's leaving a threat to library standards, May:43.

U.S. Circuit Judge and U.S. District Court Judges join in upholding 1968 law allowing persons to halt mailing of advertisements for obscene material to their homes, July:65.

U.S. Court of Appeals by 2–1 vote rules *I am Curious (Yellow)* not obscene, March:32.

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U.S. District Judge Hubert Will judges *Aroused* not obscene, March:25.

U.S. District Judge permits advertising for *The Killing of Sister George* in Los Angeles, Sept:76.

U.S. Elementary and Secondary Education Act analyzed in relation to religious books, Nov:101.

U.S. Federal Judge Frederick van Pelt Bryan rules against "advance censorship" in Times Square bookstore, March:34.

U.S. federal judges release 127,000 magazines held by customs, March:33.

U.S. federal judges rule that possession of smut shall not be considered a crime in Indiana, May:49.

United States Information Service displays censored American magazines, sends *Problems of Communism* to selected list, Sept:84.

U.S. Judge William C. Keady orders that University of Mississippi may not prohibit Charles Evers, brother of slain civil rights leader, from speaking, March:26.

U.S. Judge reinstates student suspended for possession of *Argus,* Sept:85.

U.S. judges in Atlanta rule mail must be delivered to The Book Bin, Nov:98.

U.S. Post Office Department halts distribution of seven magazines published by "The Mailbox" of North Hollywood, March:32.

U.S. Post Office will keep dealers from mailing smut to people who complain, Jan:4.

U.S. Printing Office declines to publish the Walker Report because of obscenities, Jan:10.

U.S. State Department finally allows Fuentes into New York, May:51.

U.S. Superior Court Judge bans Beatles album in Newark, July:64.

U.S. Supreme Court decrees that a man has right in his own home to read or see whatever films he chooses, makes Georgia obscenity law invalid, May:49.

U.S. Supreme Court rulings on variable censorship affect state legislation in California, March:34–35.

U.S. Supreme Court rules students allowed peaceful protest rights, May:47.

University Federation of Librarians in Berkeley protest Richmond Library Commission action, May:43.

Uiniversity of Ca. at Irvine librarians request reconsideration of *Hiroshima* at Rio Contiguo School, May:42.

University of Ca. at Los Angeles dismisses Communist party member, Nov:93.

University of Ca. regents criticized by Academic Senates at Berkeley and UCLA for limiting Eldridge Cleaver as lecturer, Jan:2 and 3.

University of Louisville bans student newspaper for four-letter words, July:71.

University of Mississippi ordered by federal court not to ban Charles Evers, brother of slain civil rights leader, from speaking, March:26.

University of New Mexico: *Love Lust Poem* stirs suspensions, mass meetings, July:58.

University of North Carolina adopts five regulations for speakers, Jan:15.

University of Tennessee won't get Bond without Gregory, Jan:4.

University of Wisconsin production of *Peter Pan* declared obscene, Jan:16.

University of Wisconsin regents rule out four-letter words in *Daily Cardinal,* Jan:15.

University of Zambia librarian protests Rhodesia Library Association acceptance of book restrictions, May:48.

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Virginia: Ellis Hodgin, Librarian in Martinsville, summarily fired, Nov: 90.

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Wallis, C. Lamar, suggests right not to read *Portnoy's Complaint* in Memphis, Sept: 78.

Wallis, C. Lamar, librarian of Memphis Public Library, says teenagers return with parents for *Portnoy's Complaint,* Nov: 98.

Warren, Chief Justice Earl, found no satisfactory definition for obscenity, May: 51.

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Washington, D.C., school officials censor ideas for high school juniors in *Personal Adjustment, Marriage and Family Living,* May: 50.

Washington Free Press cartoonist gets six months for nude judge cartoon, Sept: 74.

Washington Free Press causes difficulties in Montgomery County, Maryland, George Washington University, and Washington D.C. schools, March: 31.

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Washington Library Association opposes state obscenity bills, May: 45.

Washington Post takes position on *Free Press* case, Nov: 91.

Washington State House Bill on obscenity opposed by librarians, May: 45.

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Washington State Supreme Court rules against censorship of anti-Vietnam war signs on buses, Nov: 99.

Wayne State University student newspaper suspended, Sept: 84.

Weiner, Mrs. Alice D., answered concerning sex education books on open shelf, March: 24.

Weisenberg, Charles M., Director of Public Relations of Los Angeles Public Library, urges abolition of County Commission on Obscenity and Pornography, Jan: 14.

Welles, Patricia: see *Baby Hip.*

Wellesley: play *The Slave* arouses audience protest when read, Jan: 15.

West Milford School Board in New Jersey will leave *Viewpoints, U.S.A.* in curriculum, Jan: 13.

West Side Story allowed on stage in Johannesburg, July: 57.

West Virginia: Mrs. Mary Tamplin of Seth meets four ladies who have *Blackboard Power* in hand, March: 29.

What Shall They Read? available from KPFA in Berkeley, May: 43.

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Wisconsin: Association of Beloit Librarians and Association of Janesville Librarians join in resolution defending freedom to read, oppose banning of *Andersonville* and *Catcher in the Rye,* July: 65.

Wisconsin: Orfordville parents object to *Catcher in the Rye,* also film of *Romeo and Juliet,* also *Of Mice and Men* as required reading, July: 59.

Wisconsin: printer of *Kaleidoscope* boycotted by business, Nov: 98.

Wisconsin, University of, cuts off financial aid to *Daily Cardinal,* March: 33.

Wisconsin: Whitefish Bay Judge rules *Kaleidoscope* can be circulated, July: 64.

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